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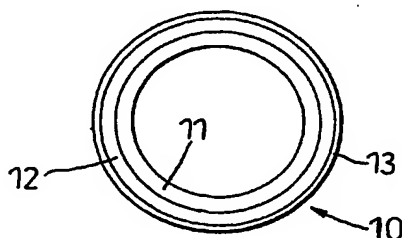
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(57) Abstract: A heat-shrink jointing for an electrical power cable comprises a sleeve (10) having an insulating inner layer (11), a conductive outer layer (13) and a thermoplastic mid-layer (12) located between the inner and outer layers. The mid-layer (12) is recovered by the application of heat thereto. The insulating inner layer (11) is preferably comprised of an elastomeric material and the thermoplastic mid-layer (12) is rigid and acts to retain the inner layer (11) in a radially expanded state prior to its recovery.